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## CROP PRODUCTION – DECEMBER 2015

### WYOMING HIGHLIGHTS

Based on December 1 conditions, **dry bean** production for 2015 is forecast at 690,000 hundredweight, down 14 percent from the 799,000 hundredweight produced a year earlier, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Yields are expected to average 2,330 pounds per acre, up 130 pounds per acre from the October 1 forecast and up from 2,130 pounds per acre last year. Growers expect to harvest 29,600 acres this year, down 8,000 acres from the 37,600 acres harvested last year. As of October 25, Wyoming's dry bean harvest was estimated to be 96 percent complete, compared to 84 percent last year and the 5-year average of 91 percent.

### UNITED STATES HIGHLIGHTS

Production of **dry edible beans** is forecast at 29.7 million cwt, up 2 percent from last year. Planted area is estimated at 1.76 million acres, up 2 percent from 2014. Harvested area is forecast at 1.71 million acres, 2 percent above the previous year. The average United States yield is forecast at 1,743 pounds per acre, a decrease of 10 pounds from last year.

For a full copy of the *Crop Production* report please visit [www.nass.usda.gov](http://www.nass.usda.gov).